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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 1, 2004, the time for responding
thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of
Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116
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SEMIPERMEABLE MEMBRANE SUPPORT AND PROCESS OF PREPARATION
THEREOF

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

Patentees respectfully request a refund of \$570 charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975 on March 1, 2005. It appears as though the charge is a difference between a two and three month extension of time. Patentees assert the charge is incorrect.

Patentees' attorney filed an amendment after final with two month extension of time on March 1, 2005. See the attached copy of the postcard receipt. Our office was contacted on March 4, 2005, by Examiner Brenda Murphy, who indicated that she did not receive the last page of our documents and therefore, no signature was provided. Another copy was faxed to her. Please note that the due date for response was March 1, 2005, and the papers were timely filed. No charge should be posted due to an error that occurred once the amendment was received by the PTO.

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Since this charge appears to be the result of PTO error and our papers were submitted by the extended response date, we kindly request a refund of \$570 to the deposit account of undersigned, no. 23-0975.

Respectfully submitted,

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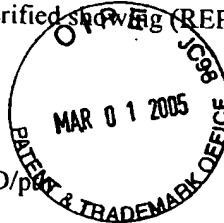
Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

PTO Fee Transmittal Form

Petition for two month Extension of Time including PTO fee of \$450.00

Request for Interview

Amendment After Final Rejection w/attached verified showing (REPORT)



Date: March 1, 2005

Attorney: MRD/pk

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